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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT & TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE APPLICATION OF
Dick L. Knox, et al.

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TITLE: **Pressurized Bearing System for
Submersible Motor**

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Hon. Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Please cancel claims 10 and 11; and

amend claims 1-7 and add new claims 12 and 13 as set forth below:

1.(Amended) In an electric motor having a shaft and a bearing located within a housing that is
adapted to be filled with lubricant, the improvement comprising:

at least one centrifugal lubricant pump stage located in the housing, the pump stage having an
impeller attached to and rotating with the shaft and a mating diffuser for pressurizing the
lubricant; and

a flow passage leading from the lubricant pump stage to the bearing.